

Massachusetts School Immunization Requirements 2004

Minimum Immunization Requirements For School Entry In 2004 School Year*

	Child Care/Preschool ¹	Kindergarten	Grades 1-6	Grades 7-12	College ²
Hepatitis B³	3 doses	3 doses	3 doses	3 doses	3 doses for all health science students and all full-time undergraduates
DTaP/DTP/DT/Td⁴	≥ 4 doses DTaP/DTP	5 doses DTaP/DTP	≥ 4 doses DTaP/DTP or ≥ 3 doses Td	4 doses DTaP/DTP or ≥ 3 doses Td; <i>plus</i> 1 Td booster	1 Td booster within last 10 years
Polio⁵	≥ 3 doses	4 doses	≥ 3 doses	≥ 3 doses	—
Hib⁶	1 to 4 doses ⁶	—	—	—	—
MMR⁷	1 dose	2 doses measles, 1 mumps, 1 rubella	2 doses measles, 1 mumps, 1 rubella	2 doses measles, 1 mumps, 1 rubella	2 doses measles, 1 mumps, 1 rubella
Varicella⁸	1 dose	1 dose	1 dose (grades 1-5 only)	< 13 yrs. - 1 dose ≥ 13 yrs. - 2 doses	—

*These requirements also apply to **all** new “enterers”.

1 Child Care/Preschool: Minimum requirements by 24 months; younger children should be immunized according to schedule for their age.

2 College: Requirements apply to 1) all full-time undergraduate and graduate students; 2) all full-time and part-time health science students; and 3) any full-time or part-time student attending any post-secondary institution while on a student or other visa, including foreign students attending or visiting classes as part of a formal academic visitation or exchange program.

3 Hepatitis B: 3 doses are required for child care, preschool, and kindergarten - 12th grade attendance for children. **Beginning in September 2004, 3 doses are now required for full-time seniors attending college.** It is also required for all full-time freshmen, sophomores and juniors as well as all health science students (both full-time and part-time, undergraduate and graduate) attending college. Laboratory proof of immunity is acceptable. Please refer to the **Phase In Schedule**.

4 DTaP/DTP/DT/Td: 5 doses of DTaP/DTP are required for school entry unless the fourth dose is given on or after the 4th birthday. DT is only acceptable when accompanied by a letter stating a medical contraindication to DTaP/DTP. A **single** booster dose of Td is required for all students entering grades 7-12 (It is not required if it has been < 5 years since their last dose of DTaP/DTP/DT.)

5 Polio: 4 doses are required for school entry, unless the third dose of an all-IPV or all-OPV schedule is given on or after the 4th birthday, in which case only 3 doses are needed. However, if the sequential or a mixed IPV/OPV schedule was used, 4 doses are always required to complete the primary series.

6 Hib: The number of primary doses is determined by vaccine product and age the series begins.

7 MMR: 1 dose is required for entry into child care and preschool. A second dose of

measles vaccine, given at least 4 weeks after the first, is required for entry to all grades K-12, and college. Laboratory proof of immunity is acceptable.

8 Varicella: 1 dose is required for child care attendance at centers licensed by Office of Child Care Services (OCCS) for all children born on or after January 1, 1997, **and** who are ≥ 19 months of age, **and** who are without a physician-certified reliable history of chickenpox. 1 dose is also required for all susceptible students at entry to preschool, kindergarten-5th grade, and grades 7-12. If the child is ≥ 13 years of age, 2 doses are required.

A reliable history of chickenpox is defined as: 1) physician interpretation of parent/guardian description of chickenpox; 2) physician diagnosis of chickenpox; or 3) laboratory proof of immunity. Please refer to the **Phase In Schedule** below.

Phase In Schedule 2004-2005 For Hepatitis B, Td, and Varicella Vaccines

	2004	2005
3 Hep B	K-12 College: All health science; freshmen-seniors	K-12 College: All health science; freshmen - graduate
Td	7-12	7-12
Varicella	Child Care/Preschool, K-5 and 7-12	Child Care/Preschool, K-12